

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Mohammed N. Islam  
Appln. Serial No.: 10/653,525  
Filing Date: September 2, 2003  
Art Unit: 2633  
Examiner: David J. Lee  
Confirmation No.: 3348  
Title: OPTICAL ROUTING USING A STAR SWITCHING FABRIC

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and comments.